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See MCI v. FCC, 515 F 2d 385 (D.C. Circ 1974).

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DATES SET FOR COMMENTS IN SLAMMING RULEMAKING *Comments due June 2, 2003; replies due June 17, 2003*

Washington, DC – The FCC's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau released the Third Order on Reconsideration and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 03-42) seeking comments about slamming on March 17, 2003. Comments are due June 2, 2003 and replies are due June 17, 2003, 45 and 60 days, respectively, after publication of the Order in the Federal Register. The Order was published in the Federal Register on April 18, 2003.

The Commission initially asked for comments of these issues in the Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released in December 1998, and in subsequent orders in CC Docket No. 94-129. Those actions, among other things, promulgated rules pursuant to Section 258 of the Act to combat the practice of slamming by broadening the scope of carrier change rules and adopting more rigorous slamming liability and carrier change verification measures. In the Order, the Commission revised and amended certain of our rules to further bolster our slamming rules; we also seek comment on proposed requirements with respect to third party verifications.

The Second Further Notice can be viewed at:
http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-03-42A1.pdf

Information on filing comments with the FCC is at:
<http://wireless.fcc.gov/csinfo/comments.html>

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